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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on July 15, 2002 (Paper No. 25), please enter the following amendments and consider the following arguments.

In the Specification:

Please rewrite the paragraph starting at page 6, line 3, as follows:

-- As used herein, the term "percent (%) amino acid sequence identity" means the value obtained using the BLASTP program of the BLAST 2.0 program family (using default parameters) described by Altschul *et al.*, *Nucleic Acids Res.* (1997) 25:3389-3402. --

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 2 and 5, without prejudice.